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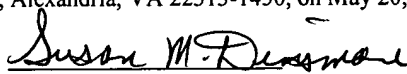
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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This Response to Office Action is filed in response to the Office Action mailed **November 21, 2003**, rejecting claims 1-6, 8-11, 14-20, and 57, and withdrawing claims 12, 55, 56, and 58 from consideration. The cited references are U.S. Patents Nos. 5,985,356 to Schultz ("Schultz") and 6,548,263 to Kapur ("Kapur") and Saltzman, *et al.*, *J. Biomed. Mat. Res.*, 1991, 25:741-759. The following amendments and remarks remove all grounds for rejection of the application, thereby placing it in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.